

Spikefest Grass Outdoor Volleyball Rules – COED 6's

1. Each round robin game shall be to 25 points, win by 2, cap at 27 points using rally scoring. Playoff games will be best 2 out of 3 games and teams will change sides when the first team reaches 13 points in the 3rd game only.
2. The captains of each team will use rock, paper, scissor to determine first serve or side. Each team has one 30-second timeout per game.
3. NO cleats of any kind are allowed. Teams may only play with an approved OUTDOOR ball.
4. A team shall consist of a maximum of six (6) players on the court at one time and a minimum of four (4). The minimum number of women on the court is 2. A legal team on the court is any of the following combinations.

Men	Women
4	2
3	3, 2, or 1
2	4, 3, or 2
1	5, 4, or 3

5. Player positions shall rotate clockwise on service (including on the first side out). The exact position that a player rotates into is at the individual team's option. However, the system shall not be changed during the game. A team may also use open substitution, but it must be for the same players each time in a game.
6. In the event of an injury, a substitution may be made. The injured person may not return until the next game.
7. The server may only have ONE attempt to serve the ball behind the line.
8. The ball hit out of bounds is a turn over (side out) to the opposing team. Whether blocking or hitting, it is the last person that touches the ball before it goes out of bounds who is charged with the turn over. If the ball touches you before it hits the ground, even though you are standing out of bounds it counts as a contact.
9. It is legal to hit the ball from outside the court as long as the ball goes between the lines at the poles before it crosses to the opponent's side. A ball touching any part of a boundary line is considered to be "IN."
10. Each team is allowed 3 contacts (hits) on their side. Blocks (contacts at and above the net) do not count as one of your 3 hits. The ball can be played with any part of the body, but never twice in a row by the same person except during a block. Obvious "CARRIES" and "THROWS" (no clean contact with the ball) should be considered a fault.
11. It is legal for you to break the plane of the net on the follow through of your hit as long as a portion of the ball was on your side when you initially contacted it and you do not hit the top tape of the net in the process. It is also legal to go over the net to block an opponent's "HIT" as long as you don't touch the top tape of the net and you don't interfere with an opponent's "SET." IE: the ball you are blocking has to be heading over the net not parallel to the net.
12. The Net: A player must not touch the net during the course of play or as a result of uncontrolled continuation of movement during a play, even if the play has ended. A player may contact the poles or lines during the course of play as long as that contact doesn't assist in the play of the ball. A player may come under the net as long as they do not touch or interfere with the other teams play on the ball. In outdoors the top of the pole is considered the antennae.
13. Hard driven balls (spikes and serves) can be received with hands apart overhead by "PASSING" the ball as long as it is not an obvious catch and throw. The ball may contact various parts of the body, provided that the contacts take place simultaneously. Blocking/Spiking the serve at the net is not legal.
14. A back-row player may complete an attack hit at any height from behind the imaginary 10-foot line (the back 2/3 of the court since each side is 30' by 30'). A back row player may also complete an attack hit from the front zone, IF at the moment of contact the ball is not entirely higher than the top of the net. Since there is no official 10-foot line, we ask captains to settle questionable hits by playing the point over.
15. Since there are no refs, it is important for each player to call their own faults, touches and net violations. If there is any dispute, only the captains shall discuss it. If they cannot agree, the point shall be "REPLAYED."
16. If there are any questions regarding the rules, please flag down a tournament official to clear up any rule confusion.